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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT EUGENE DISTRICT CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION REVIEW

Exception Criteria Review Checklist

Proposed Action: Assign the Northwest Youth Corps to assemble and install two kiosks, one each in Clay Creek and Whittaker Creek campgrounds within the BLM Eugene District Siuslaw Resource Area.

Review the proposed action against each of the 10 criteria listed below. If the project meets one or more of the criteria, it is an exception from categorical exclusion and <u>MUST</u> be analyzed in an EA or EIS. To qualify as a Categorical Exclusion the proposed action may not meet any of the criteria. If the criterion does not apply, indicate "Not Applicable." Any mitigation measures (such as contract stipulations or terms and conditions on permits) necessary to ensure that the proposed action qualifies as a categorical exclusion should be identified at the bottom of the page.

	Comments	
1.	Have significant adverse effects on public health or safety	* None
2.	Have adverse effects on unique resources (i.e., parks, recreation, refuge lands, wilderness areas, wild or scenic rivers, wetlands, flood plains, etc.)	* None
3.	Have highly controversial environmental effects	* None
4.	Have highly uncertain environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks	* None
5.	Establish a precedent that could result in significant impacts	* None
6.	Be directly related to other actions having cumulatively significant effects	* None
7.	Have adverse effects on cultural or historical resources	* None
8.	Have adverse effects on species listed or proposed as threatened or endangered or have adverse effect on designated critical habitat for these species.	Botany - Fish - Wildlife -
9.	Require compliance with E.O. 11988 (flood plain management), E.O. 11990 (protection of wetlands), or the Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act	* None
10.	Threaten to violate Federal, State, Local or Native American law or requirements imposed for the protection of the environment	* None

Mitigation measures needed to qualify as CE: Work would be done during the times noted on page 2. If work should be done during August 6 through September 15, it would "not likely to adversely affect" wildlife.

Reviewed By:	/s/ Gary Hoppe	11/05/2003	
	Gary Hoppe, Environmental Coordinator	Date:	
Above mitigatio	n measures have been adopted and will be in	nplemented.	
Field Manager:	/s/ Steve Calish	11/05/2003	
	Steve Calish	Date:	

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Clay Creek and Whittaker Creek Kiosks

Background

The Siuslaw Resource Area's two campgrounds, Clay Creek and Whittaker Creek, currently lack a central visitor information facility informing visitors about the campground, items of interest, or nearby attractions. At present, only the rules and regulations are posted at the pay stations.

Proposed Action

The Proposed Action would require assembling a kiosk "kit". The kit would include pre cut lumber, industrial plexi-glass, shingles, and instructions. The posts would be set in concrete. The kiosk in the Whittaker Creek Campground would be located within the empty wood bin located next to the campsite # 15; the location of the kiosk in the Clay Creek Campground is to be determined at a later date.

Work is to begin anytime after November 1, 2003 and proceed through February 28, 2004. It is expected that work can be completed within this timeframe. Installation tools will not require loud noise equipment such as chainsaws or generators. If work is not completed within the November/February timeframe, the project would have another opportunity for completion under this Categorical Exclusion between August 6, 2004 through September 15, 2004. The August/September timeframe would include the following murrelet disturbance restriction: any work activity would occur two hours after sunrise and cease two hours before sunset.

Decision

It is my decision to approve the Proposed Action and permit installation of the Clay Creek and the Whittaker Creek campground kiosks.

Rationale

The Proposed Action qualifies as a categorical exclusion as described in the BLM Categorical Exclusions (516DM Chapter 6, Appendix 5) number 5.4(G)4, which states, "Placement of recreational, special designation or information signs, visitor registers, kiosks and portable sanitation devices". The Proposed Action does not meet any of the exception criteria and therefore an Environmental Assessment (EA) is not necessary.

Prepared E	sy: /s/ Saundra Miles	11/03/2003	
	Saundra Miles, Recreation Planner	Date:	
Approved	By: /s/ Steve Calish	11/05/2003	
	Steve Calish, Field Manager,	Date:	